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Sir:

With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of an application for patent in the name(s) of:

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INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD entitled: Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9(f) is claimed and the amounts shown in parentheses below have been employed. The following are enclosed: X Specification X 21 Claims(s) (including 7 independent claim(s)) ____ Preliminary Amendment X Unsigned Oath or Declaration, Power of Attorney & Petition X 10 Sheet(s) of Drawings X Our check for \$1,048.00 calculated as follows: Basic Fee of \$710 (\$355)\$ 710.00 1 Total Claims in excess of 20 at \$18 (\$9).....\$18.00 <u>4</u> Ind. Claims in excess of 3 at \$80 (\$40).....320.00 ____ Fee of \$270 (\$135) for Mult. Dep. Claim......\$0.00 Total Filing Fee\$ 1,048.00 Assignment Recording Fee of \$40\$0 .00 X Certified copy of each of the following to substantiate the claim for priority:

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Respectfully submitted,

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